GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3592
ANSWERED ON:12.12.2001
TELEPHONE EXCHANGE BUILDING
NAMDEO HARBAJI DIWATHE

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether tenders were invited for the site of telephone exchange building in the Bhandara district of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these tenders were received from private persons/parties at official rates; and

(d) if so, the reasons for delay in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) First time the tender was floated on 08-08-2000 for 9 places. As there was poor response tender was floated again on 07-02-2001 for 16 places in Bhandara District. They are as follows:

Sahapur, Gobarwahi, Lakhani, Pahela, Sihora, Noka-Dongari, Bampewada, Condumari, Pohara, Virli (BK), Jaitpur, Mashal Kondakosara, Chichal, Warthi, Hardoli.

(c) The tenders were called from private persons/parties as on these places Government land was not available. The rates quoted were above the official/Government rates in majority of cases.

(d) The reasons for delay was due to the non-availability of all members of Negotiation Committee. The negotiations were held on 04-12-2001 and 05-12-2001. The process of negotiation and further action to acquire land in above case is in progress.